**Southminster Presbyterian Church**

**7th Sunday of Easter or the 116th Sunday of Covid**

**May 29, 2022**

**9:30 a.m.**

Find the link for the service on one of these sites:

1) our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/>
2) our web site: <https://www.southminsterpc.org/worship-videos>
3) our YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPgWICngOvkmR1OXgCG_wiA/videos>

If the video feed is interrupted during the service, we will continue to record and then post the full video on Facebook and our web site as soon as possible.

 Gathering Music

Our slideshow today is “Our Board of Deacons and Session.”

 Welcome, Announcements, and Moment for Mission

 Prelude: *Largo in E-flat Major* Chopin

 Lighting the Candles (2 Corinthians 5:17)

 **So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation;
everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!**

 Call to Worship (1 Corinthians 12:4-7, 27)

 Leader: There are varieties of gifts, but it is the same Spirit who gives them.

 **People: There are different ways of serving God, but it is the same Lord who is served.**

 Leader: God works through each person in a unique way,
 but it is God’s purpose that is accomplished.

 **People: To each is given a gift of the Spirit to be used for the common good.**

 **All:** **Together we are the body of Christ, and individually members of it.**

 Hymn 370: *This Is My Father’s World* (both verses)

 Prayer of Confession:

**Mighty and merciful God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling. We have been timid and frightened disciples, forgetful of your powerful presence and the strength of your Spirit among us. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, who is both savior and Lord. Amen.**

 (Time of silence for personal prayer and confession)

 Declaration of the Grace of God/Assurance of Pardon (Romans 8:33-34)

 Leader: Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?

 **People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us,**

 Leader: Christ rose for us; Christ reigns in power for us,

 **People: Christ intercedes for us.**

 **All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Alleluia!**

 Response 240: *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* (verse 1)

 The Passing of the Peace

 Word with Children

 Children worshiping in the sanctuary, please come forward..

 *Jesus Loves Me*

 Prayer for Illumination

 Scripture Lesson: Romans 12:2-8 Pew Bible, p. 157 (N.T.)

 Philippians 2:1-13 Pew Bible, p. 197 (N.T.)

 Sermon: “Let God Lead”

 Hymn 69: *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I Am, Lord)* (verse 2 + refrain)

 Ordination and Installation

 Presentation

**To be Ordained and Installed as Elder**

 Rita Zapel, Class of 2023

**To be Installed as Elders**

 Sarah Allen, Class of 2025

 Betty Eichin, Class of 2025

 Chris Kozich, Class of 2025

 Steve Shierry, Class of 2025

**To be Installed as Deacons**

 Paul Jeziorski, Class of 2025

 Barb Kocinski, Class of 2025

 Barb Zink, Class of 2025

 Our Common Ministry

 Questions to Elders and Deacons

 Questions to the Congregation

 Leader: Do we, the members of the church, accept these people as
 elders and deacons, chosen by God through the voice
 of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ?

 **All: We do.**

 Leader: Do we agree to pray for them, to encourage them, to respect their decisions,
 and to follow as they guide us, serving Jesus Christ
 who alone is head of the Church?

 **All: We do.**

 Prayer of Ordination

 Congregational Prayer (unison)

**Gracious God, pour out your Spirit of power and truth upon the whole church
that we may be for you a holy people, baptized to serve you in the world.
Sustain this congregation in ministry. Ground us in the gospel, secure our hope in Christ, strengthen our service to the outcast, and increase our love for one another.
Show us the transforming power of your grace in our life together, that we may be servants of the gospel, offering a compelling witness in the world to the good news
of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

 Welcome to Ministry

 Response: *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I Am, Lord)*

Refrain

**Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?**

**I have heard you calling in the night.**

**I will go, Lord, if you lead me.**

**I will hold your people in my heart.**

 Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

 Leader: Lord, in your mercy,

 **People**: **hear our prayers.**

**The Lord’s Prayer:**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

 Offertory: *They’ll Know We Are Christians by Our Love* Scholtes, arr. Hayes

 \**Doxology* Hymnal #606

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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 Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

 Hymn 269: *Lead On, O King Eternal!*  (verses 1, 3)

 Charge and Benediction

 Leader: Now go and serve the Lord,
 **People: For we are blessed to be a blessing!**

Leader:  The cross, **All:  We shall take it.**
  Leader:  The bread, **All:  We shall break it.**
  Leader:  The pain, **All:  We shall bear it.**
  Leader:  The joy, **All:  We shall share it.**
  Leader:  The Gospel, **All:  We shall live it.**  Leader:  The love, **All:  We shall give it.**
  Leader:  The light, **All:  We shall cherish it.** Leader: The darkness, **All: God shall perish it.** Leader: For the Lord is risen! **All: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

 Postlude: *Lead On, O King Eternal* Smart, arr. Hayes

**Participants and Technical Crew**

Rev. Wendy Boden

Liturgists: Francine Long, Blair Nelson
Deacon at the Door: Paul Jeziorski

Musicians: Cindy Trowbridge, Southminster Choir

Worship Associate: David Kozich

Tech support: Ron Birchall, Chris Kozich, Blair Nelson

Flowers today are given by the Kozich family celebrating Daniel’s birthday.

If you are present for worship, following the service and the meeting, you are invited by the deacons to gather for **in-person fellowship** in the narthex. Coffee and bottled beverages will be served; masks and social distancing are at your discretion if you are vaccinated.

If you are online, we’re glad to have you! Note that we no longer offer Zoom fellowship.
 **Sunday Morning Adult Ed. Bible Study – 11:15 a.m.** via Zoom. Join us at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355
You are invited to join us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/>), where we have a live sharing of “**Heart to Heart**” with Pastor Wendy Boden at 4:16 p.m. each week Tuesday through Friday.

Even though we have returned to in-person worship, we will also continue to be live on **Sunday morning for worship** at 9:30 a.m. (slideshow beginning at 9:15)
at <https://www.facebook.com/SouthminsterGlenEllyn/>
*If for any reason the feed falters, rest assured that a recording will be posted to Facebook and You Tube as soon as possible.*

You can also find links to recordings of the weekday sessions, special services, and Sunday worship posted on our web site: <https://www.southminsterpc.org/worship-videos> or by going to our YouTube channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPgWICngOvkmR1OXgCG_wiA/videos>

**Bearing Fruit – May 29, 2022**

**Welcome back, Cindy Trowbridge**

We once again welcome Cindy Trowbridge as our accompanist today while our Music Director is away. Cindy performs as a collaborative pianist in recitals and competitions throughout the Chicago area. A member of the piano faculty at the College of DuPage, she teaches private and class piano and serves as staff accompanist. Cindy also does extensive work as an accompanist for vocal and instrumental studios and recitals at Wheaton College. She is the principal pianist for the Credo Flute Summer Festival and has been the pianist for DuPage Opera Theater and music director for Wheaton College’s Opera Music Theater program.

**Slideshows help us feel connected!**Our pre worship slideshows are one way for our church family and friends to enrich our connections. Here is an opportunity to share your photos:
**June 5: “School’s Out”** – send your favorite school photos by June 2.

Send photos to David Kozich, who assembles the PowerPoints: kozichd1@gmail.com. (Email is preferred, but if you need to send a photo to David by text, call the church office to get his cell phone number.) Include ***the date and slideshow title for which your photos are to be used.***

We are interested in your ideas for slideshows. Please connect with Sarah Allen at ridesrowdy@aol.com or with Pastor Wendy at wendy@southminsterpc.org. Please note that we try to confirm slideshow content a month in advance.

**Notes from Blair Nelson:**

**Adult Education**: Our class resumes this Sunday after several weeks off. Join us at 11:15 a.m. by using this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82920574961?pwd=dEwxU2NhaFM5VWhPSzBtYkZvUld2dz09>
Meeting ID: 829 2057 4961 Passcode: 537355

**Youth:** Our next event is the **Rummage Sale and Car Wash**, June 4-5. We need all hands (and feet) on deck for this one. Please be at church at 7:00 a.m. on Saturday the 4th for set up. The sale runs 8 a.m.-3 p.m., then we tear down. It is a long but fun day. We also run a carwash during the sale, so dress to be wet. Then we’ll do it all over again on Sunday the 5th but starting after worship rather than early morning.

Also, **we need team members to help price and sort on Thursday and Friday evenings**. Let Blair know when you can help.

**The Rummage Sale and Car Wash!**
**Saturday, June 4, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. and Sunday, June 5, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**

**Donations** for the sale can be dropped off at church beginning today right after worship until noon. During the week, you may drop items off between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. Either Barb (on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday) or Blair will be there to let you in. If you don’t have a key and need to drop-off items outside of those hours, call Blair at 630-917-6035. You will find tables set up and labeled by category in Fellowship Hall. Please place your items on or under the appropriate table.
Books and clothes have flat rates, but please put suggested prices on all other items. Stickers are in the hallway by the main entrance. **Please, *NO* electronics!**

**Want to help?** We could use a few strong backs to help set up on Saturday, June 4, beginning at 7:00 a.m., and then on Sunday the 5th right after church. We could also use help tearing down both days at 3:00 p.m. Of course, the best part is the shopping. And there will be a **car wash** during the sale. All this supports our Youth Mission Team heading to Huntington, WV, for a week of workcamp in late July.

**From the Mission Ministry****Time is running out to “Watch Your Gifts Grow” (gifts due by Tuesday, May 31)**

Just until the end of May, you have an opportunity to give a donation to your favorite Southminster-sponsored mission organization and have your mission dollars matched. Please take advantage of this opportunity to help others.

Consider making a donation in honor of a birthday, anniversary, baptism, graduation, or other special event or person. A dollar amount (but no donor name) will show on the flower that is put up in the narthex display. What better way to celebrate that special event or person than with a gift to those in need?

Southminster-supported missions include:

 **Bridge Communities Starfish Haiti—a new mission**

 **Cuba Ministry we are looking to support**

 **DuPage PADS Walk-In Ministry**

 **Metropolitan Family Services World Relief**

 **People’s Resource Center Youth Mission Ministry**

When you donate a gift of $15 to any one of these missions, Southminster will contribute an additional gift of $15 to the same mission; a $50 gift is matched with $50, and so on.

Write a check to Southminster Presbyterian Church and place it in a special Gifts Grow envelope. Those envelopes are on the shelf across from the office and also on the table as you enter the sanctuary. On your check, write “Gifts Grow” on the memo line and be sure to include a note that tells the amount and mission(s) to which you want to donate. Drop your envelope in the offering plate, bring it to the church office and put it in Tom Frey's mailbox, or mail it to the church.

There are a few restrictions:

Gifts must be received by May 31, 2022.

You must designate your gift to a mission already supported by Southminster. (See the list above.)

We will match up to $5,000 in donations.

Only gifts up to $300 per family will be matched.

Only $1,000 will be matched to any one ministry.

The Mission Ministry reserves the right to designate use within a given fund.

Please take advantage of this opportunity today to watch your mission “Gifts Grow.” And, thank you.

**A Special Appeal: Emergency Response to the War in Ukraine**
Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is currently working with trusted groups already present in the Ukraine to provide financial assistance for humanitarian aid efforts.  The PDA anticipates that its ongoing work in the Ukraine and the region will include both financial and technical assistance. Southminster invites you to assist in relief efforts by making a special donation—a check to Southminster with PDA on the memo line—that Southminster will send on an unrestricted basis to PDA to use as needs arise.

***You are invited: Southminster-sponsored free screening of the movie* Emanuel*!*Sunday, June 5, at Studio Movie Grill, 301 Rice Lake Square, Wheaton
Arrive at 3:00 p.m. for a 3:30 p.m. movie start.
RSVP by Sunday, May 29** -Our movie selection is a free private screening of ***Emanuel***! Please invite friends and family to attend, since we have an entire theater.
 - ***Emanuel*** is a 2019 [documentary film](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Documentary_film%20/t%20_blank) directed by [Brian Tetsuro Ivie](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Brian_Tetsuro_Ivie%20/t%20_blank) about the [Charleston church shooting](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Charleston_church_shooting%20/t%20_blank) that killed nine Emanuel AME church members in an act of terror. [Stephen Curry](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stephen_Curry%20/t%20_blank) and [Viola Davis](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Viola_Davis%20/t%20_blank) are executive producers;[1] [Mariska Hargitay](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mariska_Hargitay%20/t%20_blank) is a co-producer. *Emanuel* first received critical acclaim at the 2018 [Geena Davis](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Geena_Davis%20/t%20_blank)’ [Bentonville Film Festival](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bentonville_Film_Festival%20/t%20_blank), where it won the Jury Prize for Best Documentary.[2] The film also won the Heartland International Film Festival audience choice award.[3] Emanuel’s limited theatrical release opened June 17, 2019—exactly four years after the shootings.
 - John Shepherd, son of SPC and of Bill and Marie Shepherd, is one of the film’s producers. He has generously offered to loan us the movie *Emanuel* for free!
 - The theater wants a headcount 5 days prior to the showing. If you plan to attend (and especially if you are bringing friends), **please RSVP to Angela Smith at 630-235-1376 by Sunday, May 29**.
 - The full service menu will be available with at-your-seat service!

The **June eNotes/Dialog goes out this Wednesday**. If you have items you want to have included, they are already past due! Please send them in immediately and hope that they can still be added to the final publication.

Come hear musical presentations from our multi-faith communities.
**“Sounds of Music and Prayers”**
**Wednesday, June 1, at Lake Ellyn Park
Gather at 6:30 p.m.; program from 7:00-8:00 p.m.**
**followed by ice cream and sherbet social until dusk.**
No tickets or registration required.
This event is sponsored by the Glen Ellyn Interfaith Prayer Breakfast planning group.

**Jubilee Bucks** (from Bobbi Frey):
Thanks to all who have ordered Jubilee Bucks, we have earned $682.96 in “free” money so far this year! Gift cards are a great way to not only give for gifts but also pay for groceries or household incidentals.
The next time to order is June 12, followed by July 10.

**Donations for PRC (People’s Resource Center)** (also from Bobbi Frey):
Many thanks for all the donations of food and household goods that have been donated to PRC weekly. They have been put to great use as the client base has been growing lately! All donations are greatly appreciated!!!

 **Care Notes:**“In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.” -Philippians 4:6
Even though we aren’t all together for worship, we are still collecting prayer requests! Please leave a message on our answering machine at 630-469-9149.

***Friends, with our new communication style the eNotes Joys and Concerns (sent most Wednesdays) will include new information and members’ ongoing concerns. For the eNotes/Dialog (sent on the first Wednesday of the month) and Sunday bulletins our list will be full and complete.*

Joys and Concerns**
**The flowers today** are given by the Kozich family celebrating Daniel’s birthday.
**We celebrate joys**:
 - Pastor Wendy Boden and Blair Nelson were finally able to go to Canada to celebrate the life of Blair’s mother.
 - Kathy Davidson’s recovery from hip surgery
**We share our concern:**
  - We pray for Lois Stevenson and Amie Cantarella after a fire in their home made the house uninhabitable for the next 6 months. We give thanks that everybody is safe. Please pray for a place to live during reclamation.
**We pray for the whole world and our nation**:
  - Prayers for the people of Ukraine and an end to war.
  - Prayers for Poland, Hungary, Romania, and all those who are helping Ukrainian refugees
  - Peace throughout our world
  - We pray for an end to gun violence in our nation. We pray especially for the community of Uvalde, Texas, and the families of those who died in the shooting that killed 19 children and 2 teachers at Robb Elementary School.
**We pray for those who mourn**:
 - the family and friends of Tony Bednarz, Lanny Russell’s friend, who died last weekend
 - Suzanne Tennyson and her family on the death of her father
  - We continue to remember families who still mourn.
**We pray for all who are affected by cancer**.
  - Dan Bohi
  - John Wallace, former longtime member of Southminster
  - Connie Vernon, a friend of Angela Smith, diagnosed with breast cancer, who got hit by a car but is mending.
  - Kurt Parent, a friend of several Southminster members, facing cancer surgery this spring
  - Karin Formento, wife of Mike Formento, a friend of Wendy’s
  - Shelayne Larson, a friend of Angela Smith, recovering from a very painful surgery, but they believe they got 100% of the cancer. She is very grateful for her prayer shawl and wears it every day.
  - Katie Boehmer Boston’s father, Rod Boehmer
  - Harlene Sperling, a friend of the Boden-Nelson family. She is also very grateful for her prayer shawl.
  - Jim Rundquist, friend of Angela Smith, colon surgery
**We pray for all who are infected with and/or affected by COVID**.

 - Rev. Blake Severson and his family
  - Prayers for those who have contracted Covid or are caring for people with Covid.
  - prayers for our leaders and all of us as they and we discern the wise way forward.
**We pray for all who are dealing with mental or physical health challenges**.
  - prayers for Ed Koska and his wife, Joan. Ed is now back at Tabor Hills.
 - Victor King, recovering from knee surgery
  - Bill, a friend of Barb Doppelt, recovering from surgery
  - Barb’s friend Sue as her 95-year-old father’s health deteriorates
  - people giving up addictions
  - people struggling with difficult family concerns
  - prayers for peace for Amanda
  - the many people who struggle with depression
**We pray for those who are far from home**.
**We continue to pray for our friends and family who work in the health fields**: nurses, doctors, and all other health care workers.
**Food Pantries**: Glen Ellyn Food Pantry, People’s Resource Center, Lakeview Food Pantry, Glen Ellyn Food Pantry, and our members who serve them
**Local government bodies/boards**: Prayers for the DuPage County Board, the Village of Glen Ellyn Board, the Village of Glen Ellyn Task Force on Affordable Housing, the boards of the local school districts: 41, 44, 87, 89, 200, COD, and our library boards.
  **Caring for you!**Our **Congregational Care Committee** is ready to assist in time of need. If you need assistance from the Congregational Care Ministry or Helping Hands) in May and June, call Deb Bohi (630-935-1225). You may call Pastor Wendy Boden on her cell or home phone (if she has shared the numbers with you) or leave a message for her at the church office: 630-469-9149. Email Wendy at wendy@southminsterpc.org. (Please note that she can only read email when she is in the office.) You may also call your deacon if you need help from the church.

**Office Schedule:** Barb’s regular schedule is to be in the office Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays full days (approx. 8:45 a.m.-3:15 p.m.) while her son attends his day program full time on those days. Mondays and Wednesdays she works from home.

Grace and peace to you! Remember that we love God and neighbor. Our address is 680 South Park Blvd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137 if you would like to set up an online account with your bank or mail in your pledge. Online giving through Vanco is also now an option – see the May Dialog for details or contact Ron Birchall.

**Dates to remember this week:**
**Sunday, May 29**
 **Worship** at 9:30 a.m. in person and also live on Facebook
 **In-person Fellowship** will be in the narthex, with bottled beverages and coffee.
 Masks and social distancing are at your discretion if you are vaccinated.
 **Rummage Sale Drop-off** begins after worship until noon in Fellowship Hall **Adult Ed. Bible Study** at 11:15 a.m. via Zoom
 **Youth Group** – this is Rummage Sale/Car Wash week. Be prepared to help!
**Monday, May 30 – Memorial Day
 Church office closed.
Rummage Sale drop-off** all week, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. or call Blair Nelson (630-917-6035) to let you in if you don’t have a key.
**Tuesday, May 31**
 A.A. meets at 7:30 p.m. in the choir room

**Wednesday, June 1
 the June Dialog** goes out
 “Sounds of Music and Prayers” at Lake Ellyn Park; gather at 6:30 p.m.; program from 7:00-8:00 p.m. followed by an ice cream and sherbet social
**Thursday, June 2
 Choir rehearsal** at 5:30 p.m. **Friday, June 3** A.A. meets at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room
**Saturday, June 4** **Rummage Sale set-up** begins at 7:00 a.m.
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 **Rummage Sale set-up** begins right after worship
 **Rummage Sale and Car Wash** from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **Adult Ed. Bible Study** will not meet.